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## Italy

**Post:** Rome

### Release of Detained Pacific Cod Shipment to Italy

**Report Categories:**

Export Accomplishments - Other

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**Report Highlights:**

FAS/Rome intervened to affect the release of shipment of U.S. Pacific cod, valued at approximately \$92,000.

**General Information:**

Italian veterinary authorities detained a shipment of U.S. Pacific cod at the port of La Spezia in March 2011. FAS/Rome immediately contacted the importer, the exporter, NOAA's EU representative, and local veterinary authorities to resolve the misunderstanding regarding the U.S. export certificate and Italy's import requirements. Following this intervention, Italian authorities released the shipment, valued at approximately \$92,000.